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Application of: Li YAO *et al.*

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 21, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file of the above-captioned application. A Petition for Extension of Time is submitted concurrently herewith.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.